

HONORING DR. ROBERT T. MILLER  
FOR HIS 49 YEARS OF SERVICE  
AT BAYLOR UNIVERSITY

**HON. CHET EDWARDS**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 28, 1995*

Mr. EDWARDS. Mr. Speaker, today it is with great pride and pleasure that I honor Dr. Robert T. Miller, distinguished professor of political science, on his 49 years of outstanding service at Baylor University in Waco, TX.

Baylor University, without a doubt, has most certainly benefitted from Dr. Miller's wisdom, experience and understanding of political science. Students at Baylor are fortunate to have been able to study under his expert instruction. Many of his students today are successful attorneys, college professors, and government professionals. Dr. Miller has touched the lives of many people over the course of his career, and it is only right that we honor him today.

I ask Members to join me in congratulating Dr. Miller for his contribution to higher learning and for his dedication and commitment to the students at Baylor University.

**THE HAMMOND ADULT EDUCATION  
PROGRAM**

**HON. PETER J. VISCLOSKY**

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 28, 1995*

Mr. VISCLOSKY. Mr. Speaker, it is with great pleasure that I rise to call your attention to the School City of Hammond Adult Education Program in Hammond, IN. This outstanding program has successfully taken on the immense job of tackling adult illiteracy. I would like to highlight for you and my other colleagues this impressive program and its many achievements.

Under the direction of Dr. Gary Jones, assistant superintendent of curriculum for the School City of Hammond, and Dr. Steve Watson, director of adult education and extended services, the Hammond Adult Education Program has developed into one that should be used as a model for adult education programs throughout the country.

The Hammond Adult Education Program uses several innovative approaches to fight adult illiteracy. Hammond adult basic programs and services include literacy training and life skills education, as well as GED preparation and English as a second language. Joblink 2000 Workforce Development and Instructional Programs, which are joint training programs developed by Hammond adult education, the Inland Steel Co., and the United Steelworkers of America Local 1010, provide academic instruction to steelworkers so that they can learn new skills and compete in a global market. Another initiative the Hammond adult education is most proud of is the continuing education program specifically designed for the Navy recruiting district of Chicago. This program, which is the first in the Nation to qualify GED graduates for acceptance into the U.S. Navy, was initiated 2 years ago and has proven to be very successful.

The Hammond Adult Education Program has entered into cooperative agreements with

22 local agencies, institutions, and organizations to coordinate the planning and delivery of services to adults. Moreover, Hammond adult education exceeds both Federal and State averages relative to student attendance and retention. Again, this year, Hammond adult education joined with the city of Hammond and other educational institutions to sponsor a job fair. This year's fair, which attracted more than 600 participants, was held at the Hammond Area Career Center and featured educational provider booths, an assessment of learner skills follows up by guidance counseling, and displays by local employers.

The Hammond Adult Education Program is already a nationally recognized leader in the field of adult education having received the U.S. Secretary of Education's Outstanding Adult Education Program in 1990. In addition, this distinguished program has received the following awards: 1994 Tri City Community Mental Health Center Community Service Award; 1990 Region V Outstanding Adult Education Program Award; 1990 Indiana Department of Education's nomination for Outstanding Adult Education Program Award; 1984 Governor's Indiana Adult Literacy Coalition's Exemplary Instruction Award; 1984 Citation in Effective Literacy Programs; and, in 1984, the Indiana Division of Adult Education Program Quality Award.

The Hammond Adult Education Program functions as a true melting pot for all racial, ethnic, cultural, socio-economic, and religious groups in northwest Indiana. In May, I spoke to 231 graduates who received their GED diplomas from the Hammond Adult Education Program at the GED graduation and recognition ceremony. These fine graduates, along with the 2,000 other students enrolled in this program are to be commended for their dedication to improve themselves through continuing education. I enthusiastically applaud the Hammond Adult Education Program for successfully improving the quality of life for residents in northwest Indiana.

**A TRIBUTE TO LEWIS D. WALKER**

**HON. G.V. (SONNY) MONTGOMERY**

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 28, 1995*

Mr. MONTGOMERY. Mr. Speaker, I am taking this opportunity to pay tribute to an outstanding public servant who has served his country in a quiet, effective, and dedicated manner for over 30 years, Lewis D. Walker, known by his friends and all who know him as "Dee Walker."

Dee Walker has been the Army's senior civilian adviser for environment, safety and occupational health matters for the past 14 years. During this period of time, the Nation's environmental laws have tripled, environmental program funds have grown from \$200 million to over \$1.3 billion and the potential severity, and cost of Army accidents and tasks to health have increased dramatically. Dee Walker is an outstanding career executive and is recognized for distinguished service by international, government, academic, and public interest groups. In 1992, he completed a 2-year Army wide effort to craft a detailed environmental strategy to guide Army policy and programs into the 21st century. His exemplary

leadership has steadily reduced environmental violations.

Mr. Walker managed the largest environmental cleanup in United States history at the Rocky Mountain Arsenal [RMA] in Colorado. For 8 years, he successfully pushed for an initiative to have RMA designated a national urban wildlife refuge which the President signed into law on October 9, 1992. This action is expected to relieve the Army of a cost of at least half a billion dollars.

He skillfully negotiated a \$1.2 billion lawsuit against a huge corporation responsible for much contamination which resulted in saving the Government 50 percent of the cleanup cost. When the State of Colorado filed suit against the Army over the cleanup process, Dee Walker was in the forefront, working closely with the Department of Justice to develop a highly successful litigation strategy that resulted in a \$72 million cost avoidance. The landmark legislation to designate RMA as a Natural Wildlife Refuge and transfer it to the control of the Department of the Interior will save the Army \$500 to \$700 million in cleanup and restoration cost.

Mr. Walker's justification of a modified cleanup option for the Louisiana Army ammunition plant saved the Army \$27 million. When the Army accepted responsibility for Hamilton Air Force Base in California and reached agreement on cleanup, the cost of which was projected to be \$44 million, Dee Walker contributed to a negotiated cost of \$34 million, saving the Army and the taxpayer \$10 million. His critical direction on the Chesapeake Bay initiative achieved 100 percent compliance for the 22 Army Installations in the region. In recognition of its strong environmental management under his control, the Department of Defense designated the Army as the executive agent for a \$124 million program to restore formerly used defense sites [FUDS]. The \$35 million National Defense Center for Environmental Excellence and the Environmental Corporate Information Management Systems were also placed under his control. The Army was designated the lead defense agency for administering relationships with the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry. Mr. Walker has sponsored a management initiative that would cut \$2 billion by having the Department of Defense adopt a lead agent management approach.

Dee Walker's responsibilities and accomplishments are too numerous to detail in this short summary of 30 odd years of diligent and conscientious work, which began in 1963 at the Department of the Interior in New Mexico. From 1966 to 1970, he served with the Agency for International Development in Bangkok, Thailand. Later, he returned to the Department of the Interior, although in Washington, DC, in the Bureau of Reclamation during the period of 1971-73. From 1974-79, he served with the U.S. Water Resources Council in Washington, and from 1980 through the present, he has served as Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army.

Dee Walker is known as a firm but strong promoter of high morale among his staff and fellow associates. He provides critical leadership, management, and human resource guidance. His success in this area has enabled the environmental community to respond favorably to increasing public and congressional expectations in a timely manner. Walker has a

commonsense approach to the substantial responsibility that comes along with the job. In addition, he has the ability to relate effectively with his associates and staff. These qualities have served to promote a successful program which has created substantial savings in human anguish, and human and monetary resources in the programs under Dee Walker's direct policy oversight. Walker's responsibilities extended to the aftermath of Operation Desert Shield/Desert Storm, during which he provided sound policy direction for issues such as health risk assessments of the oil fires and depleted uranium cleanup efforts in Kuwait.

Mr. Walker's lovely wife, Colleen, and their two daughters have contributed greatly to his success in his lifelong endeavors. He is recognized for his active participation in church and community activities.

I know that you all will join me as we pay tribute and best wishes to Dee Walker as he enters this well-earned and richly deserved new venture in his life, his retirement.

**CALLING ON THE CLINTON ADMINISTRATION TO GAIN THE RELEASE OF UNITED STATES CITIZEN HARRY WU, ARRESTED IN CHINA ON JUNE 19**

**HON. CHRISTOPHER H. SMITH**

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 28, 1995*

Mr. SMITH of New Jersey. Mr. Speaker, less than 1 month has passed since the President extended most-favored-nation trading status once again to the People's Republic of China. Ignoring the tragic human rights record of China, the huge trade imbalance, the ongoing pirating of intellectual properties, the forced abortion policy and the exporting of nuclear technology to rogue nations, Mr. Clinton rewarded the Chinese leaders while turning his back on the millions of Chinese who are imprisoned, tortured, persecuted, forced into slavery, and have their voices silenced, some even before they are born.

Mr. Clinton believes that granting MFN to China will encourage the Chinese leadership to improve their human rights record. It didn't work last year. And it's not going to work this year, either.

Case in point: On June 19, 1995, Harry Wu, a United States citizen, was arrested as he entered China.

Harry Wu is well known to many of us here in Washington. A former political prisoner in China for 19 years, Harry has tirelessly worked to expose China's human rights abuses—the extensive prison labor system, the backbone of China's export industry; the trafficking of body parts of prisoners for transplants and research—uncovering the numerous products manufactured in the slave labor camps which are being sold in the United States.

Knowing that each time he returned to China to investigate human rights abuses he put himself in danger, Harry continued to go back remembering those millions who, like he, suffered, or like his brother, died at the hands of the Chinese Government and military.

Harry has been a stellar, informative, persuasive witness at several congressional committee hearings. Once, when asked about why he placed his life at risk to expose the horrors of China's prison labor system he responded: "I really want to forget the nightmares of the past period, but, you know, some things simply didn't go away. So, like a bad dream, they refuse to disappear."

"Finally, I got a chance to tell the truth to the world."

"I am a survivor. I think I have a responsibility to those inmates who are still there."

Today Harry Wu is not free. His whereabouts are unknown. The U.S. Embassy in Beijing was not informed of his arrest until June 23—4 days after the arrest.

A U.S. Embassy spokesperson claims that the delay in notification was the result of poor communications. Another spokesperson said that the Embassy and Chinese officials were discussing sending a representative to visit Harry.

Ten days have passed since Harry Wu, a United States citizen, was arrested in China.

How much longer will he have to wait for the U.S. Government to respond? How long will the discussions take? And in the meantime, what will happen to Harry Wu?

Mr. Speaker, I have sat with Harry Wu in my own office many times hearing of the unspeakable conditions under which the Chinese people live while their leaders are rewarded year after year after year. It distresses me greatly to think that Harry is not free, may be tortured, and that the administration is moving so slowly to respond to his need.

Mr. Speaker, I call on the Clinton administration to move swiftly to make contact with Harry Wu and to obtain his release. I urge my colleagues to do the same. The administration may at this point be accustomed to turning its back on the people of China. We cannot allow them to become accustomed to ignoring innocent Americans in foreign prisons.

I also urge my colleagues to sign the letter to Jiang Zemin calling for the release of Harry Wu.

Soon the House will take up the disapproval of MFN for China. Some of us might be tempted to put trade, money, over human rights and dignity. Some of us might believe that criticizing China for human rights abuses is interfering with the internal matters of a foreign government. I do not.

Today an innocent United States citizen is being detained in China. What more needs to happen? We cannot ignore this. It should offend every Member of this body that while the administration rewards the Chinese Government, that government responds by arresting a United States citizen.

Harry Wu has been a voice for the voiceless crying out for truth and justice. Now his voice has been silenced, and I pray that silence is only temporary. We must raise our voices loudly and clearly to the Chinese Government. Harry Wu must be released and the Chinese Government must be held accountable for this affront against the United States.